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Deputy Attorneys General Mark Denney and Annemarie Puit secured a guilty plea from Tyron Friend, also known as Talib Al-Atharee, a 38-year-old Wilmington man. Al-Atharee pled to Conspiracy to Commit Racketeering, Drug Dealing-Tier 4 Quantity of Heroin, Drug Dealing-Cocaine, and Money Laundering. Al-Atharee received a sentence from a Superior Court judge of at least 4 years in jail followed by 30 months of probation. Al-Atharee was involved in a large-scale criminal operation that involved conspiracies to commit violent acts against people, drug dealing, money laundering, and hindering law enforcement investigations.

A 33-year-old New Castle man pled guilty to Drug Dealing-Tier 2 Quantity of Heroin and Possession of a Firearm by a Person Prohibited. Bryan Camacho was identified as part of an ongoing drug investigation by Wilmington Police Department. During the execution of a search warrant on Camacho's residence, more than 2000 bags of heroin were seized, along with \$744 in suspected drug money. Camacho is a person prohibited from possessing firearms due to prior out-of-state



convictions for assault and drug dealing. Deputy Attorney General Erika Flaschner prosecuted this case. A Superior Court judge sentenced him to 10 years in prison followed by supervised probation and ordered the defendant to forfeit the money and firearms seized.

A Superior Court judge sentenced Charles Riley to a total of 17 years in prison. Riley, a 45-year-old Wilmington man, was on probation when he was found with over 115 grams of cocaine, a loaded 9mm semi-automatic firearm, heroin, and marijuana in his house. Riley pled guilty to Possession of a Firearm by a Person Prohibited, Drug Dealing-Tier 4 Quantity of Cocaine, Aggravated Possession-Tier 1 Quantity of Heroin, and to a Violation of Probation. He was declared a habitual offender for the Possession of a Firearm by a Person Prohibited conviction. Riley will also undergo a mental health and substance evaluation and treatment and forfeit the firearm, ammunition, and \$886 seized. Deputy Attorneys General Tim Maguire and Rebecca Song prosecuted the case with the assistance of Sgt. Matt Rosaio and Probation Officer Dan Collins of the Wilmington Police Department Safe Streets team.

Deputy Attorneys General Erika Flaschner and Allison Abessinio secured a 20-year prison sentence for a 40-year-old Wilmington man. Jermaine Tingle was convicted by a jury in January for 2 counts of Drug Dealing-Heroin, 2 counts of Aggravated Possession-Heroin, 2 counts of Conspiracy 2<sup>nd</sup>, Drug Dealing-Marijuana, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, and Possession of a Firearm by a Person Prohibited. Heroin, a 50-caliber Desert Eagle firearm, drug paraphernalia including scales and substances commonly used to cut heroin, marijuana, and suspected drug money were found in Tingle's residence and vehicle during the execution of a search warrant after an extensive drug investigation by the Wilmington Police



Department. Tingle was sentenced by a Superior Court judge as a habitual offender based on previous convictions for drug dealing, burglary, and firearms charges. He was also ordered to forfeit the firearm, a vehicle, and the \$23,077 seized.